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1. RESOLUTION ON REGIONAL COOPERATION ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS AS CONTAINED GENEVA 5548 WITH FOLLOWING CHANGES: 2ND PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH - DELETE EVERYTHIN FOLLOWING "RESPONSIBILITIES" AND INSERT "IN CONNECTION WITH RESOLUTION 1896(LVII)"; FIRST OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH - DELETE "ADOPTED AT" AND SUBSTITUTE "OF"; SECOND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH - DELETE "IN THE FRAMEWORK OF" AND SUBSTITUTE "WITH THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF"; DELETE "THOSE TAKEN AT" AND SUBSTITUTE "THE RESOLUTIONS OF".

2. REVISED PARAGRAPHS 4, 5 AND 6 AS FOLLOWS:

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PARAGRAPH 4 - FURTHER REQUESTS THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS

AT THEIR INTERGOVERNMENTAL SESSIONS TO PAY INCREASING ATTENTION, IN PREPARING THEIR PROGRAMMES OF ACTIVITIES, TO THE INCLUSION OF INTERREGIONAL PROJECTS WHICH WILL DIRECTLY ASSIST THEIR MEMBERS IN STRENGTHENING THEIR DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS AND TO TAKE AT THESE SESSIONS GREATER INITIATIVES, IN CONSULTATION WITH UNDP AND COUNTRIES CONCERNED, TO IDENTIFY PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE SAID COMMISSIONS WOULD BE GIVEN THE FUNCTION OF EXECUTING AGENCIES BY THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME;

PARAGRAPH 5 - CALLS UPON IN THIS RESPECT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO EXPEDITE THE CONCLUSION OF THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS, IN ORDER THAT THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS MAY FUNCTION AS EXECUTING AGENCIES FOR REGIONAL, SUBREGIONAL AND INTERREGIONAL PROJECTS FINANCED BY THE PROGRAMME;

PARAGRAPH 6 - REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS AT REQUEST OF COUNTRIES CONCERNED FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CONTRIBUTION TO THE FORTHCOMING PROGRAM CYCLE - IN PARTICULAR INTER-COUNTRY PROGRAMING.

3. THE USSR REPRESENTATIVE, SUPPORTED BY THE GDR, INTERVENED TO SAY THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE RESOLUTION'S FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS WOULD NOT INVOLVE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES FROM THE UN REGULAR BUDGET. BRAZIL EXPRESSED THE FEAR THAT THE RESOLUTION WOULD INVOLVE THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS IN PROJECT ACTIVITIES DUPLICATING THOSE OF OTHER AGENCIES OF THE SYSTEM. THEY ALSO EXPRESSED STRONG FEARS REGARDING THE OVERHEAD EXPENDITURES INVOLVED. BRAZIL RESERVED ITS RIGHT TO TAKE UP THE SUBSTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION AT FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL. THE FRG SHARED THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY BRAZIL AND, IN ADDITION, FELT CONSTRAINED TO REITERATE ITS RESERVATIONS ON THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION. KENYA AND COLOMBIA ALSO EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS OF A GENERAL NATURE.DALE

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